# CITIZENS PUBLIC SAFETY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES August 13, 2020

The Citizens Public Safety Oversight Committee of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met at 4 p.m. Virtually, via 201 W. Gray St. Multi-Purpose Room, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, and notice and agenda of the meeting were posted at City Hall located at 201 W. Gray Street 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

PRESENT: Members Jim Costello, Ann Gallagher, Ken-

neth Orr, Lea Greenleaf, Joan Goth, Linda Price, Jared Garner, and Melanie Hayes

ABSENT: Chair Eddie Sims

COMMITTEE LIAISONS: FOP (position vacant)

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STAFF PRESENT: Travis King, Fire Chief

Kim Coffman, Budget Manager Jacob Huckabaa, Budget Technician

Ashley Evans, Administrative Technician IV Russell Anderson, Communication Systems

Manager

Captain Barbour, NPD

Deputy Chief Ricky Jackson, NPD Major Shawn Hawkins, NPD Chief Kevin Foster, NPD

Bill Scanlon, Citizen

Reese Gorman, Norman Transcript

Item 2, being

#### INTRODUCTION OF STAFF AND GUESTS

Member Joan Goth called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. She welcomed staff and guests to the meeting and asked them to introduce themselves.

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Item 3, being

APPROVAL OF THE CITIZENS PUBLIC SAFETY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES OF July 9, 2020.

Member Price made a motion to approve the Citizens Public Safety Oversight Committee minutes, of the July 9, 2020 meeting, which motion was duly seconded by Member Gallagher, and the question being to approve the Citizens Public Safety Oversight Committee minutes of July 9, 2020 a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Members Jim Costello, Ann Gallagher, Ken-

neth Orr, Lea Greenleaf, Joan Goth, Linda

Price, Jared Garner, and Melanie Hayes

NAYES: none

Member Goth declared the motion carried and the Citizens Public Safety Oversight Committee minutes of July 9, 2020 approved.

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ITEM 4, being:

MONTHLY UPDATES

#### Finance Report

Kim Coffman gave the update. Public Safety Sales Tax collections for the month of July were 1% below the budget target for the month and 5% above prior year collections. Use tax collections were 21% above the budget target for the month of July and 40% above July, 2019 collections. We are 16% below budget target on expenditures.

#### Fire Department

Chief King gave the update. He stated we now have the new pumper tanker at Station No. 5 in service. We are working on getting quotes for a new boat at Station No. 6. Hopefully we can get that in service in the spring. We are also looking to purchase an air and light unit. Matt Elliott

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was promoted to Planning Officer. We had 16 officers do Captain's testing and we will be promoting 2. We are currently 8 officers down and will start actively recruiting and hope to have an Academy next July.

### Police Report

Captain Hawkins gave the update. We recently promoted Ricky Jackson to Deputy Chief, 1 Officer to Captain, and 3 to Lieutenant. We will be trying to get an Academy underway and hire 9 Officers, hopefully starting in March of next year. COP hours for the month of July were 192, including 23 hours in DDACTS, 138 hours in COP problem solving, and 31 hours in relationships. Some of the events attended were the Community Partnership Day, weekly COVID meetings, and football planning meetings.

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### ITEM 5, being:

# DISCUSSION REGARDING PHASE III RADIO CONSULTANTS AND RADIO SYSTEM UPDATE

Russell Anderson gave the update. He stated that we have 2 new dispatchers starting and we are almost fully staffed now. We installed the radio system in the new Fire pumper tanker. We have a working ISSI system with the State of Oklahoma. We are also working on an auto-dialer.

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#### ITEM 6, being

#### UPDATE ON EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (EOC) PROJECT

Captain Barbour gave the update. He stated that the design for the expanded building is still in progress.

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Item 7, being

#### UPDATE ON BUDGET CHANGES DUE TO PROTESTS

Chief Foster stated that we are budgeted to open an Academy, but we are currently down to 164-165 Officers right now. We are approved for 171 after the cuts to the proposed budget.

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Item 8, being

# DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM FOR DE-PARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT TO HIRE 4 NEW SRO OFFICERS

The Committee agrees unanimously to stay with their previous recommendation, even if the Norman Public School system cannot match the funds for the grant.

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Item 9, being

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ANNUAL REPORT

The Committee wants to add a line saying they are concerned about the department's ability to achieve the goals in the COP plan due to decreased funding.

Member Price made a motion to approve the Annual Report as amended, which motion was duly seconded by Member Gallagher, and the question being to approve the Annual Report as amended a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Members Jim Costello, Ann Gallagher, Kenneth Orr, Lea Greenleaf, Joan Goth, Linda Price, Jared Garner, and Melanie Hayes

NAYES: none

Member Goth declared the motion carried and the Annual Report as amended approved.

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Item 10, being

# ESTABLISH AGENDA TOPICS FOR THE NEXT September 10, 2020 MEETING

Next meeting will include all normal agenda items.

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Item 11, being

# MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

Member Price gave congratulations to Deputy Chief Ricky Jackson.

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Item 12, being

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Member Goth declared the Citizens Public Safety Oversight Committee adjourned at 5:01 pm.